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SUBJECT:MESSAGE TO RABASA FROM THE SECRETARY

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY
TO FOREIGN SECRETARY RABASA AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY:

2. QUOTE: DEAR EMILIO: WE ARE FOUR MONTHS AWAY FROM THE
BUENOS AIRES MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS. I HAVE ASKED
BILL ROGERS TO UNDERTAKE OUR URGENT PREPARATIONS. BEFORE
ANY MORE TIME PASSES BY, HOWEVER, I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE
USEFUL THAT YOU AND I DIRECTLY EXCHANGE OUR IDEAS ON THE
FOCUS OF THAT MEETING.

B. I THINK YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT THE BUENOS AIRES
MEETING SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON A FEW CONCRETE ISSUES WITHIN
THE OVERALL AGENDA WHICH THE LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS
FORMULATED AT BOGOTA LAST YEAR. ASSUMING PASSAGE OF THE
TRADE REFORM BILL BY OUR CONGRESS, THE TOPIC OF TRADE WOULD
BE A PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE ONE. THE RESULTS OF THE TWO
WORKING GROUPS ON MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND SCIENCE
AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED.

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ANOTHER POSSIBILITY IS A CAREFUL REVIEW OF ESSENTIAL CHANGES

IN THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES TO BRING IT IN LINE

NOT ONLY ON THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE QUITO MEETING, BUT
ON THE WORK IN PROGRESS IN THE OAS SPECIAL COMMITTEE
AND IN THE WORKING GROUPS CREATED AFTER THE APRIL MFM
IN WASHINGTON.

C. IN MY VIEW, WE SHOULD EMPHASIZE HOW THESE MATTERS
WHICH LEND THEMSELVES TO CONCRETE SOLUTION IN THE SHORT
RUN. IF WE DO SO, WHILE WE CONTINUE TO DISCUSS THE
MORE DIFFICULT AND LONGER RANGE QUESTIONS, IT COULD
PROVIDE A MOMENTUM OF PROGRESS WHICH WOULD SUSTAIN
THE NEW DIALOGUE WITH A SENSE OF REAL AND SPECIFIC
ACCOMPLISHMENT.

D. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU AND TO BEING
WITH YOU AT THE MARCH MEETING OF OUR COLLEAGUES.
WARMEST RERARDS AND BEST WISHES, HENRY A. KISSINGER.
END TEXT. INGERSOLL

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